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Georgiette Moore
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Re: Ethics Board Docket No. 2012-2153

Dear Mrs. Moore:

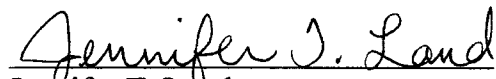
The Louisiana Board of Ethics, at its January 18, 2013 meeting, considered your request for an advisory opinion as to whether you may be employed as a full-time or substitute bus driver under the supervision of Mr. Dave Wilson III, who has been the Transportation Supervisor for the Madison Parish School District since December, 2011. You stated that you retired from the Madison Parish School District in 2008 after being employed as a bus driver for 26 years. You also stated that you recently applied with the Madison Parish School Board to work as a substitute bus driver, and that you were denied employment because of an alleged familial relationship with Dave Wilson III. Finally, you stated that Dave Wilson III is your biological son, but he was adopted at birth.

The Board concluded, and instructed me to inform you, that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit you from being re-employed as either a full-time or substitute bus driver by the Madison Parish School District. La. R.S. 42:1119 prohibits members of the immediate family of an agency head from being employed in that agency. However, according to the Board's previous advisory opinions and Louisiana Civil Code Article 199, Dave Wilson III is not considered to be a member of your immediate family because he was adopted by another family at birth. Therefore, your employment as a full-time or substitute bus driver by the Madison Parish School District would not present a violation of Section 1119 of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

This advisory opinion is based solely on the facts as set forth herein. Changes to the facts as presented may result in a different application of the provisions of the Code of Ethics. The Board issues no opinion as to past conduct or as to laws other than the Code of Governmental Ethics. If you have any questions, please contact me at (800) 842-6630 or (225) 219-5600.

Sincerely,

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS



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For the Board